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For: PROCESS FOR PREPARING
SHORT CHAIN ALKYL AROMATIC
COMPOUNDS

Examiner: B. Yildirim

Group Art Unit: 1764

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

RESPONSE

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed July 7, 1998, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application in view of the following remarks. The period for response has been extended one (1) month to November 7, 1998 by the accompanying petition. Please charge the requisite fee to our Deposit Account No. 19-3150.

Remarks

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 102

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-10 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as allegedly anticipated by Kushnerick et al. (U.S. Patent No. 4,992,606). According to the Examiner, the reference teaches the same process with the same MCM-22 catalyst having the same